

## ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE

*Exchange of notes at Washington November 16 and December 20,  
1915, amending treaty of September 15, 1914*

*Entered into force December 20, 1915*

*Terminated upon fulfillment of its terms*

Treaty Series 605-A

*The Secretary of State to the Spanish Ambassador*

NOVEMBER 16, 1915

EXCELLENCY\*

The time specified in the Treaty of September 15, 1914,<sup>1</sup> between the United States and Spain, looking to the advancement of the general cause of peace, for the appointment of the International Commission having expired, without the United States non-national Commissioner, the Spanish Commissioners and the Joint Commissioner being named, I have the honor to suggest for the consideration of your Government that the time within which the organization of the Commission may be completed be extended from June 21, 1915 to February 15, 1916.

Your formal notification in writing, that your Government receives the suggestion favorably, will be regarded on this Government's part as sufficient to give effect to the extension, and I shall be glad to receive your assurance that it will be so regarded by your Government also.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

ROBERT LANSING

His Excellency

SEÑOR DON JUAN RIAÑO Y GAYANGOS

*The Ambassador of Spain*

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<sup>1</sup> TS 605, *ante*, p. 661.

*The Spanish Ambassador to the Secretary of State*

[TRANSLATION]

WASHINGTON, *December 20, 1915*

MR. SECRETARY:

With reference to Your Excellency's note of November 16 last, I have the honor to inform you that His Majesty's Government, according to a telegram I have received, concurs in extending from the 21st of June, 1915, to the 15th of February, 1916, the time set by the Treaty of September 15, 1914, for the appointment of the International Commission therein specified.

In so informing Your Excellency, I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurance of my highest consideration.

JUAN RIAÑO

To the Honorable

ROBERT LANSING

*Secretary of State of the United States*

*Etc., Etc., Etc.*